

**1. Amendments to the Specification**

At page 22, beginning at line 6, kindly delete the Abstract. Kindly replace the Abstract with the following Abstract (on a separate page):

A method to determine the spatial distribution of magnetic particles in an examination area of an object of examination is described. The magnetic particles are introduced into and/or are present in the area of examination. A magnetic particle composition having improved imaging properties is described. Various different administering compositions for administering magnetic particles into an examination area are described. Methods for the administering of magnetic particles are described.